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SUBJECT: FMS CREDIT PURCHASE OF 105 MM HOWITZERS FOR BOLIVIA

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM CDRAMC, ALEXANDRIA, VA. TO OUR MILGROUP ABOUT FMS HOWITZER CASE: "THE AMC STUDY ON PRICE AND AVAILABILITY FOR THE M101A1 HOWITZERS IS MOVING AS FAST AS PRIORITIES WILL ALLOW. THE DELAY IS REGRETTED BUT ESSENTIAL TO INSURE THAT THE DATA IS CORRECT. FOR YOUR INFO, A MAJOR FACTOR IN THIS STUDY IS THE ESCALATION OF THE REBUILD PRICE FOR THE M101A1. THE PRICE ORIGINALLY QUOTED WAS \$17,000. THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME ON A CURRENT REBUILD PRICE APPROXIMATES \$56,000. FOR THIS REASON WE BELIEVE IT UNWISE TO PROVIDE A PRICE TO THE GOB UNTIL WE HAVE VALIDATED ALL APPLICABLE FIGURES. THIS ACTION IS RECEIVING THE HIGHEST PRIORITY AT THIS HQ. YOU WILL BE INFORMED AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE. PROTECTIVE MARKINGS MAY BE REMOVED 19 DECEMBER 1976."

2. I MUST CONFESS THAT I DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT IS GOING ON. WOULD DEPARTMENT PLEASE INQUIRE AND ENLIGHTEN ME?
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